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MEMORANDUM FOR: Dr. Gerald P. Dinneen
Chairman
National Communications Security Committee

FROM: Robert W. Gambino
Chairman

SUBJECT: Computer Security

1. I note with interest that the National Communications Security Committee, at their first meeting on 26 September 1979, formed a working group to draft a charter and policy recommendations on computer security. The security responsibilities assigned me by the Director of Central Intelligence include policy and procedures for application throughout the Intelligence Community to protect intelligence stored or processed in computers. One of the standing subcommittees of the DCI Security Committee is dedicated specifically to that area. It is chaired by [redacted] of the National Security Agency. STATINTL

2. To enhance the mutual exchange of information in the overall subject area and to avoid duplication of effort, I propose that [redacted] be given observer status on your working group. I would expect him to keep the group's members informed of Intelligence Community information on computer security threats and safeguards. He in turn would be enabled to develop intelligence computer security safeguards on a broader base of information and concepts than might otherwise be available.

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3. May I have your views on this?

Robert W. Gambino

cc: Chairman, DCI Computer
Security Subcommittee

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